The East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project is planning to use truck mounted aerosol sprayers in Reading on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. All spraying is done between dusk and 11:30 PM.

On Wednesday, spraying is scheduled for neighborhoods that are located in the vicinity of Hopkins St., Ash St., John St., Salem St., Charles St. and Dana Rd.

On Thursday, spraying is scheduled for neighborhoods that are located in the vicinity of Rustic Lane, Franklin St., Sanborn Lane, Van Norden Rd., Forest St., Grove St., High St. and Lowell St. Spraying will also be done near West St. between Winslow Rd. and the Wilmington border and by Summer Ave. between King St. and Willow St.

The Project uses a spray formulation containing the pesticide, sumithrin, to control mosquitoes. Sumithrin is a synthetic pyrethroid that is classified as a slightly toxic pesticide by the EPA. Mosquito control applications of sumithrin do not pose a significant risk to people or their pets due to the low toxicity of sumithrin and the small amount used to control mosquitoes. As with any pesticide, people should minimize exposure. If residents see a spray truck approaching, they are advised to go indoors for a couple of minutes while the spray dissipates. Residents are also advised to close windows facing the street. Beekeepers do not need to take any special precautions since spraying begins after dusk.

Information on the spray schedule is available via a recorded message at 781-893-5759 and at the Project web site at

http://sudbury.ma.us/services/health/emmcp/ Questions related to spraying or questions on mosquitoes can be answered by calling the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project at 781-899-5730.